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STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS, FOR SIX MONTHS JAN.-JUNE, 1930.

POPULATION OF STATE, 31st March 1930. Total 580,256; Males 299,592; Females 280,664. Metropolitan Area 31st December, 1929, Total 324,898.

NATURAL INCREASE. The excess of births over deaths for the six months was 2,570 (3,121), a decrease of 551 and 754 less than the mean of the similar periods 1925 to 1929.

BIRTHS. 5,034 (5,433) were registered being 399 less than for the same period in 1929 and 698 less than the five years' mean for the same period 1925 to 1929.

EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS. 158 (165)

CASES OF MULTIPLE BIRTHS. Twins 50 (51), Triplets - (2).

MARRIAGES. The marriages celebrated numbered 1,812 (1,904) a decrease of 92 and 330 fewer than the mean of the similar five periods 1925-1929. Civil Marriages increased 153 (123).

DEATHS. The deaths registered numbered 2,464 (2,312) being an increase of 152 and 58 greater than the mean of the similar five periods 1925-1929.

PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATHS. (Table 6). Cancer 291 (295), Diseases of Heart 280 (266), Cerebral Haemorrhage and Softening 186 (162), Accidents 178 (161), Senility 177 (167), Pulmonary Tuberculosis 138 (153), Congenital Debility, Malformations, &c. 126 (100), Nephritis, Acute and Chronic 122 (122), Diarrhoea and Enteritis 97 (39), Pneumonia 71 (92), Whooping Cough 26 (-).

DEATHS FROM ACCIDENTS. For the six months 178 (161) deaths were attributed to Accidents, the chief being - Drowning 31 (18), Automobiles 31 (43), Railway 5 (9), Other Vehicles 2 (2), Excessive Heat 28 (1), - 11 in January, 14 in February, and 3 in March, Injury from Falls 22 (32), Aeroplanes 5 (5), Other Crashings 17 (6).

INFANTILE DEATHS. NO. & CAUSES. 259 (190) deaths were recorded, being 69 more than for the same period in 1929 but 15 fewer than the mean of the similar five periods 1925-1929. The principal causes were - Whooping Cough 12 (-), Broncho Pneumonia and Pneumonia 25 (10), Diarrhoea and Enteritis 47 (13), Malformations 22 (21), Congenital Debility &c. 30 (14), Premature Births 57 (53), Other diseases of early infancy 16 (34), and all other causes 50 (45), total 259 (190).

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED. (Table 5). Substantial increases in the number of cases during the six months are noted for Whooping Cough 1,895 (136); Measles 881 (572); Erysipelas 134 (68); Decreases - Influenza 6 (148); Scarlet Fever 38 (146), Diphtheria 126 (197).

Detail Tables are attached, Nos. 1 to 7.

W. L. JOHNSTON,

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